**Social Studies Department Meeting**

**October 18, 2011**

**Celebrations and Successes**

Kids are doing better—doing well with non-fiction reading

Students have enjoyed role-playing activities

**Unit 1 Benchmark**

7th grade Weeks of October 10th and October 17th

8th grade Weeks of October 31st and November 7th

After each benchmark, please send copies of your Unit Plan and one example of high, medium and low scores to Marta. Please remove student’s name.

**Veteran’s Day November 11th (12:45 p.m. Early Out)**

Todd volunteered to plan activities. Maybe a school-wide assembly???

Marta will get a list of veterans in the building.

We will divide up responsibilities at a later time.

**Resources**

Marta is going to check with Bode and Spring Garden about an extra copy of the History Alive student book and TCI materials for American History.

**7th and 8th grade collaboration**

7th grade is meeting in the library on Mondays during 2nd period.

8th grade is meeting after school on Tuesday or Thursday nights.

**Social Studies Lesson Study**

Excellent experience. Great collaboration.